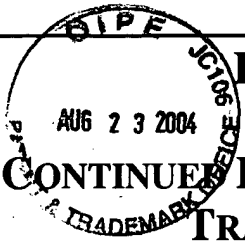


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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Application Number	09/972,942
Confirmation Number	4815
Filing Date	October 10, 2001
First Named Inventor	Nobuyuki SUDA
Group Art Unit	1732
Examiner Name	Mark Eashoo, Ph.D.
Matter Number	Q65006
Title	PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR COATING BELT CORD WITH RUBBER

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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. Previously submitted
 - i. Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on July 23, 2004
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. Other _____
- b. Enclosed
 - i. Amendment/Reply
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statements (IDS)
 - iv. Petition for Extension of Time
 - v. Other _____

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2. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months
- b. Other _____

3. FEES

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

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